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1. During the last weeks of August 1951, Marshal Rokossovski and his staff officers made an inspection tour of Polish coastal fortifications. Special attention was given to military airfields located on the Polish coast during this tour. After Rokossovski's visit to Elblag (455/Y90) military airfield, work was started to widen its concrete runways. An unspecified number of light bombers and fighter aircraft, some of which are jet planes, are located at the Elblag airfield. The crews of the light bombers are Poles and Russians.
2. The construction of the military airfield in Malbork (Marienburg) (455/D79), which began in July 1951, is proceeding at a quick pace. From the work already completed on the airfield, the source is of the belief that it will be one of the largest military airfields in northern Poland. Concrete runways, underground hangars, and fuel storage facilities are being built.
2. Strict security is enforced at the airfield located near Torun (454/J39). Both the airfield and its neighboring areas are prohibited to unauthorized personnel. The airfield is surrounded by a wire fence. The personnel stationed here is exclusively Russian. According to rumors among Polish Air Force officers, the airfield is closely guarded because the very latest Soviet light jet bombers are to be located here.

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